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### REVOLUTIONARY YOUTH MOVEMENT

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# CONFIDENTAL

A source advised that the Revolutionary Youth Movement II (RYMII) faction of Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) held a national conference at Atlanta, Georgia from November 26 to 30, 1969. At this conference, it was decided to form a new organization to be known as Revolutionary Youth Movement (RYM), characterized as a mass anti-imperialist youth organization, said organization being proposed as separate and distinct in form and content from SDS. The "Principles of Unity" adopted by the conference included a struggle against white supremacy and male supremacy; fights against imperialism, anticommunism, fascism and oppression of youth; and support of the right of selfdetermination of all "oppressed nations," also support of the right of all "oppressed and exploited" peoples "to armed self-defense." It was agreed that RYM would not be a Marxist-Leninist organization; however, source said this was decided in order to indicate an organization broad enough in form to be acceptable to everyone. A temporary National Steering Committee (NSC) made up of eight females and two males was elected to govern RYM until national officers could be elected during the spring of 1970.

RYM publications have listed the RYM National Office at Post Office Box 5421 and Post Office Box 770120, both Atlanta, Georgia, and a second source has advised that the national office has no office space, but would probably be considered as located at Apartment 27, 1067 Alta Avenue Northeast, Atlanta.

Second source advised that women dominated the founding conference and have continued to dominate NSC meetings to the point that "women's liberation" has apparently become the RYM's principal issue - also that RYM's poor financial condition has resulted in its failure to publish a paper. During early 1970, RYM has decided to cater to the working class rather than youth, since the potential for social revolution lies in workers.

A third source has stated that it was decided at the March, 1970 NSC meeting that RYM women had decided the organization will be molded into a "working class, Marxist-Leninist, revolutionary, anti-imperialist, pro-black nationalist, people's women's liberation organization."

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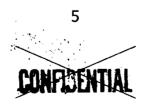
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Richmond letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.



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### LEADS:

#### RICHMOND

AT BLACKSBURG, VIRGINIA. Will, through search of office indices and contact with appropriate sources at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, determine if

have been members of, or indicated any sympathy for SDS or any other anarchist group.

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### SACRAMENTO

AT AUBURN AND YUBA CITY, CALIFORNIA. Will continue efforts to determine whereabouts of in order that he can be interviewed in accordance with prior instructions.

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### LIBERATION ARMY REVOLUTIONARY GROUP ORGANIZATION (LARGO)

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#### APPENDIX

### STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY

Students for a Democratic Society, commonly known as SDS, came into existence at a founding convention held during June, 1962, at Port Huron, Michigan. From an initial posture of "participatory democracy", Marxist-Leninist ideology of various shadings became predominant during 1968-69 with debate centering on how best to create a revolutionary youth movement. SDS moved from involvement in the civil rights struggle to an anti-Vietnam war position to advocacy of a militant antiimperialist line linking up the oppressed peoples of Asia, Africa, and Latin America with the black liberation movement in the United States. All major factions within SDS embrace Marxism-Leninism and identify internationally with China, Cuba and North Vietnam as countries leading the worldwide struggles against the United States. However, the Soviet Union was regarded as imperialist and with the Communist Party, United States of America, "revisionist" in nature.

SDS operated under a national constitution which called for an annual National Convention (NC) and quarterly National Council meetings wherein programs were initiated and debated. Three national officers were elected annually with a National Interim Committee to run the organization. Regional offices and college chapters elected delegates to the national meetings but each functioned independently on local matters. Its official publication "Fire" (formerly "New Left Notes") last appeared in December, 1969.

Internal factionalism of serious proportions developed during 1968-69 and the following three factions evolved as a result of a split at the June, 1969, NC: Weatherman, Worker Student Alliance (WSA), and Revolutionary Youth Movement (RYM). The effect of the split on SDS chapters throughout the country was divisive. Some aligned with one or the other of the three major factions. Others, unable to identify with any faction, disassociated with SDS completely and changed names.

The SDS national office in recent years was located at 1608 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois. It was closed in February, 1970.

The weatherman and RYM groups no longer consider themselves associated with SDS, and the WSA group refers to itself as the true SDS.

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### WORKER STUDENT ALLIANCE/PROGRESSIVE LABOR PARTY

A source advised during, August, 1969, that at the National Convention (NC) of Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) held in Chicago, Illinois, during June, 1969, a split arose between the Progressive Labor Party (PLP) and the National Office (MO), the NO becoming known as the Weatherman faction. The PLP faction drew the largest support among those in attendance at the NC.

Source further advised that during late Summer, 1969, the PLP faction of the SDS established its National Headquarters (NH) on the second floor of a loft-type building at 173A Massachusetts Amenue, Boston, Massachusetts. The campaign on which the PLP faction centered was to build a worker student alliance or a campus worker student alliance. Thus, they adopted the names of Worker Student Alliance (WSA) or Campus Worker Student Alliance.

Source stated that the "New Left-Notes", printed in New York City, is the official publication of the WSA faction.

A second source advised during January, 1970, that within the SDS, the W3A is a caucus of which the PLP constitutes the leadership.

A third source advised during July, 1970, that during demonstrations staged in the Boston area during the Spring and Summer of 1970 by the NH, the main theme of previous demonstrations staged by the NH shifted from protestations of the Vietnan War and other United States foreign policy matters to attacking domestic issues such as racism and unemployment and demonstrating support of the "workers" struggle ".

### PROGRESSIVE LABOR PARTY

"The New York Times" city edition, Tuesday, April 20, 1965, page 27, reported that a new party of "revolutionary socialism" was formally founded on April 18, 1965, under the name of the Progressive Labor Party (PLP) which had been known as the Progressive Labor Movement.

According to the article. "The Progressive Labor
Movement was founded in 1962
after they were expelled from the Communist Party of the United
States for assertedly following the Chinese Communist line."

A source advised on June 3, 1968, that the PLP held its Second National Convention in New York City, May 31 to June 2, 1968, at which time the PLP reasserted its objective of the establishment of a militant working class movement based on Marxism-Leninism.

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Source advised on May 25, 1970, that the PLP utilizes an address of General Post Office Box 808, Brooklyn, New York, and also utilizes an office in Room 617, 1 Union Square West, New York, New York.

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AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA. Contact PSI advise him that the "Little Red Bookstore", 3191 Mission Street, San Francisco, is no longer in operation. In addition, determine refers to his revolutionary group as LARGO or whether he uses the organizational name of "Stage One of the American Revolution" (SOAR).

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A source advised on August 1, 1960, the San Francisco Branch of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) was formed approximately in the early part of 1938, and the Oakland Branch of the SWP was formed in the latter part of 1938.

A second source advised on October 26, 1959, that the name of the Oakland Branch of the SWP was changed to the Oakland-Berkeley Branch of the SWP.

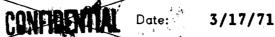
A third source advised on May 7, 1970, that the San Francisco Branch and the Oakland-Berkeley Branch of the SWP follow the policies and directives of the National SWP with which they are affiliated.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.



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or confidence in the Federal Bureau of Investigation and that this feeling is based primarily upon what he has read and heard about the Federal Bureau of Investigation, but also as a result of some personal contact and experiences with the Federal Bureau of Investigation upon which he did not care to elaborate.

stated that he has attended Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Virginia, intermittently from 1957 to 1968, receiving a degree in Physics, and that during that period he is aware that several persons attempted to organize a chapter of Students For a Democratic Society, but this was frowned on by the school, and both were unsuccessful. He stated that to the best of his knowledge there has never been an Students For a Democratic Society chapter at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Virginia. During the interview. made the statement that while he intends to return to Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Virginia, for the spring quarter, he does not plan to work at the school since the school would not hire him because of a prior incident the details of which are too embarrassing to him to discuss. also made a statement during the interview that he is aware of his parents being contacted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation relative to his whereabouts and that he did not appreciate the Federal Bureau of Investigation

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He also stated that he wanted to make it known that he has set aside \$70,000.00 in a trust fund which he calls his "defense fund." He stated he has done this since he likes his liberty and freedom too well and wants to do everything he can to protect it.

bothering and upsetting his parents.

RE: LIBERATION ARMY REVOLUTIONARY GROUP ORGANIZATION (LARGO)

stated that if the Federal Bureau of b7C Investigation wanted to contact him again although he could see no reason why such should be necessary, the only suggestion he could make is that he intends to be in the area of Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Virginia, during the spring quarter as mentioned earlier.

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further informed that	b7C
had just experienced	
and that she would like to contact and advise	him
of condition. She stated that in the eve	nt she
does learn of his whereabouts, she would contact the F	BI.

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developed indicating the above-mentioned people have ever been members of any extremist group but due to all of these individuals being involved in the heavy use of drugs, they could certainly be classified as being sympathetic with causes of anarchist groups, however, they were mainly involved in drugs.

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Interview with reflected that LARGO, or SOAR, was a loose-knit, no-membership type organization and had no formal organizational posture.

On May 14, 1971, San Francisco Police Department Intelligence Unit, advised that they had no information that LARGO was presently active in the San Francisco Bay Area.

It is noted that the San Francisco Police Department Intelligence Unit has an undercover officer who is personally familiar with and also has another source who has furnished information to captioned organization.

San Francisco has received no information as to activities by captioned organization for several months and is placing this case in a closed status. Individual cases on the are pending and will be followed closely.

Liaison with the San Francisco Police Department Intelligence Unit will be maintained and this case will be immediately reopened upon information that LARGO has become active.

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Source is positive is no longer active in any anti-Government group in the Sacramento area and to the best of his knowledge the LARGO organization is defunct.

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